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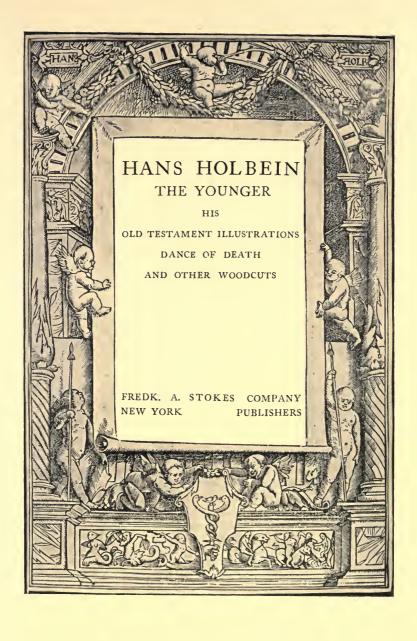


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Dance of Death, 38





# HANS HOLBEIN THE YOUNGER

Son of Hans Holbein the elder, who was an excellent painter, and remarkable for his portrait drawings in silver-point: b. 1497, at Augsburg; left Augsburg about 1513-1514 with his elder brother Ambrosius Holbein; settled in Basle, 1515, as pupil of Hans Herbster; worked at Lucerne between 1517-1519, being commissioned to decorate the house of Jakob von Hertenstein: the influence of Lombard portraiture on his painting suggests a probable visit to Italy about 1518; returned to Basle and became Master of the Guild in 1519, probably taking over the studio of his brother Ambrosius, of whom there is no record after 1518; did much designing for glass painting about this date, also decorative paintings (of which practically nothing remains) for the Council Chamber in the Rathaus, 1521-1522; the earliest of his designs for woodcut illustrations date about 1519; the famous portraits of Erasmus, who was then living at Basle, painted at this period (e.g., the pictures at Basle and Paris); visited France 1524, where acquaintance with chalk drawings of the Clouet school may have helped to form the later style of his portrait drawings; in 1526 travelled in the Netherlands, and settled for a time at Antwerp; paid his first visit to England, 1527, being introduced by Erasmus to Sir Thomas More, his earliest English patron; returned to Basle 1528, and in 1529 was again working for Basle publishers, designing illustrations for Sebastian Munster's "Cosmography" (published 1534); Elizabeth Schmid, whom he had married about 1520 (portrayed with her two children in a picture of about 1528-9 at Basle), remained throughout Holbein's life at Basle; Holbein again in England 1532, doing the famous picture of the Ambassadors (National Gallery) about this time; entered the Royal service about 1536, being given apartments in Whitehall, perhaps over the gate called after him, "Holbein's Gate"; engaged on wall decoration in the palace, and is said to have painted a Dance of Death (but all his work

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here was destroyed in the fire of 1698); the wonderful series of chalk drawings of famous personages at the court of Henry VIII (chiefly preserved at Windsor, others at British Museum, &c.) done at about this period; also reached the zenith of his power as a portrait painter, showing an unsurpassed mastery and reserve in naturalistic portrait; undertook various commissions abroad for the King, in Brussels, Burgundy, Cleves, &c., 1538–1539, painting eligible consorts for his royal master, i.e., the Duchess of Milan and Anne of Cleves; d. in London, 1543, leaving unfinished the picture still preserved in the Barber-Surgeons' Hall.

OLBEIN'S Images of the Old Testament,\* as they were called in the English edition of 1549, are the most wonderful series of illustration to the Bible in existence. Even outside the more limited sphere of book illustration they have practically no rivals, except the scriptural prints of Dürer and Rembrandt. Inspiration is so much more often found in separate works than in a series, that it is all the more remarkable to see so high a level of artistic power preserved throughout the ninety-one uniform cuts that make up Holbein's Old Testament.

In some respects Holbein's genius is pedestrian in relation to the great masters I have mentioned. He has neither Dürer's intellect nor Rembrandt's passion and penetrative insight. But he is more purely the painter than either of them. He depicts nature from the outside with an unerring vision. His eye for the facts of life and the details of physiognomy is so true, that the heart of things is communicated even when it may have escaped his own

understanding.

It is this ungarnished truth to life, rather than any interpretative insight, that chiefly characterises Holbein's woodcuts. In some ways it is not a matter for regret that he did not continue his illustrations to the New Testament, which had already found a perfect interpreter in Dürer. Holbein's simpler genius was more adapted to the heroic narratives of Jewish history, akin to Homer in their direct and naïve appeal.

In his second great series, the Dance of Death, one might have

\* The title of the first edition of 1538 was Historiarum Veteris Instrumenti Icones ad vivum expressæ, Instrumenti being changed to Testamenti in the second and later issues.

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expected that success would only be achieved by an artist of the highest imaginative power. But even here the directness of his outlook on life lends a vigour to his presentation which a more subtly

imaginative rendering might have lost.

The subject of the Danse Macabre\* was typically medieval, and Holbein's treatment of the theme still partakes of the simple medieval spirit. The conventional skeleton is made a thoroughly living, and almost sympathetic figure, and terrible less in himself than in the occasional fear he inspires in his victims. But Holbein often leaves terror on one side, and attempts no more than some common incident from daily life, in which Death plays his part unrecognised by the actors, and only lends a pathos to the scene in the spectator's eyes.

Death was never so present in life as in the adventurous times of the later Middle Ages in Europe, and it was natural that popular poems and miracle plays should have been composed to fire the popular imagination, through fear of sudden death, to right living and religious devotion. The thirteenth century poem of the Three Dead and the Three Living (wherein the three living are accosted by the spectres with the words "What you are, that were we; what we are, that you will be"), and Petrarch's Triumph of Death are other examples analogous to the miracle plays. It was these miracle plays which must have inspired the numerous series of paintings of the Dance of Death in cloister and church,† and found their final and most typical illustration in Holbein's wonderful cuts.

In this Dance of Death, which was first published by the brothers Trechsel of Lyons in the same year as the Old Testament Illustrations, there is no mention of Holbein as the author. The dedicatory

<sup>\*</sup> The origin of this title, popularly connected with a mythical poet Macaber, is obscure. It is probably the French rendering of the medieval Latin Chorea Machabæorum. In this dance, of which there is mention in the fifteenth century, the characters apparently fell out one by one as Death appeared, and from its title it is likely that the seven Maccabees played the chief rôles. See Grimm, Deutsche Mythologie, 1835, p. 495, and Du Cange, Glossarium mediae Latinitatis, IV (1845). Douce less plausibly suggests derivation from Macairus, the hermit traditionally connected with the story of the Three Dead and the Three Living (see Vasari, on Orcagna and the fresco at Pisa).

<sup>†</sup> E.g., Klingenthalkloster, Basle (14th century), Predigerkloster, Basle, Paris (Cloister of the Innocents), Old St. Paul's, London (15th century).

<sup>‡</sup> First issued with the title Les Simulachres et historiées faces de la Mort; later as Les Images de la Mort, Imagines or Icones Mortis, etc.

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epistle by Jean de Vauzelle regrets the death of "celuy qui nous en a icy imaginé si élégantes figures," which could only refer to Hans Lützelburger the woodcutter, who died in 1526. Why Holbein's name appears in no edition of this series is a question that has been variously answered. Probably Woltmann is right in suggesting that the authorship needed to be veiled and the book dedicated to an abbess to secure it from the censor in view of its pronounced protestant and satirical tendencies. In any case in spite of the editor's words, Hans Lützelburger, whose signature appears on the cut of the Duchess (36), can only be regarded as the cutter of the designs. Apart from tradition, absolute proof is furnished by the presence of the first four cuts of the Dance of Death in the separate issues of the Old Testament Illustrations. The latter series was also published anonymously on its first issue, but in the second and following issues (1539, &c.), verses are added in praise of Holbein, as well as a distich by Nicolas Bourbon de Vandœuvre directly attributing the authorship.

Both series must have been designed and, to a large extent, cut in the three or four years preceding Lützelburger's death in 1526. A set of contemporary drawings copied from twenty-three cuts of the Dance of Death, now preserved in Berlin, is dated 1527. From the preface to the Dance of Death it would appear that Hans Lützelburger had left various blocks with the designs traced upon them ready for cutting, but that the publishers had hitherto failed to find a successor worthy of completing the work. We may assume, in consequence, that the first edition of 1538 was throughout cut by Lützelburger. It was only for the editions of 1545 and 1562 that the other blocks

were completed.

In regard to the Old Testament Illustrations we have no such guide as to which of the cuts are by Lützelburger, for the series was already complete in the first edition, and the set of early proofs belonging to the Basle Museum also shows the complete series. But there is no difficulty in distinguishing the crudeness of such blocks as the Zechariah (90) and the Joel (86) from the genius for cutting shown in others like the Destruction of Pharaoh's Host (13), with its wonderfully subtle rendering of multitudes and aerial perspective on so small a scale. Many of the earlier cuts are almost as broad in their lineal character as the Zechariah, but the Hannah and Elkanah (33) is enough to show the distinction in expressive power. Probably Holbein supplied designs which were to be followed line by line by his cutter—and in general cutters are forgotten as mere efficient craftsmen; but in this case the work of reproduction is so superlative, not only in its perfect delicacy but in its revelation of subtle varieties

of tone and expression achieved with the fewest lines, that we must always think of the work as the most perfect collaboration of two

artists of genius.

From the technical point of view it is interesting to compare the copies of the Dance of Death engraved on wood by Thomas Bewick, almost entirely in his white-line method, and published under the title Emblems of Mortality, London, 1789. Lützelburger, like nearly all the early cutters, worked in the negative method, clearing away all the wood on the white portions of the design, leaving the lines in relief to print black. Bewick found that the most direct method for the wood-engraver was to treat the surface of the block as a black ground, and to engrave \* the lines of the design into this to print white, the ink being, of course, printed from the surface, not pulled out of the incised lines as in line-engraving and etching. The comparison of Bewick's very pedestrian work serves also to show the perfection of expressive and subtle line attained by Holbein and his original translator.

The Dance of Death is known in five complete sets of proofs with German titles, evidently printed at Basle, and now preserved in Paris, Carlsruhe, Basle, Berlin, and the British Museum. They are printed in much blacker ink than the Lyons editions, and included everything of the first Lyons edition except the Astronomer. On the other hand, only one set of proofs of the Old Testament Illustrations is known—

that preserved at Basle.

Each series was first published by the brothers Trechsel † in small quarto form, with one cut on each page; but the later editions of the Dance of Death (though practically no smaller in form) are in octavo. They both went through a large number of editions in the twenty

years or so succeeding first publication.

The complete set of designs for the *Dance of Death* did not appear, as we have already indicated, before the edition of 1562, but the supplementary cuts in both the 1545 and 1562 issues were partly subjects alien to the main thesis. Perhaps Holbein may have originally intended these gambols and triumphs of children to form a part of his scheme in a sort of symbolic reference to the young life that has no thought of death.

Each subject had a verse from Scripture at its head, and a French quatrain by Gilles Corozet at the foot, the latter being translated

† The succeeding editions by the brothers Frellon.

<sup>\*</sup> Using the burin (the same tool as the line-engraver's) not the knife of the early cutters.

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for the Latin edition by Luther's brother-in-law, George Oemmel (Aemilius).

Apart from the small quarto editions, the Old Testament cuts appeared in various folio Bibles issued by Trechsel and Frellon at

Lyons (1538, 1544, and 1551).

In Holbein's treatment of the different subjects there must of course have been a considerable element of convention, and a large number were directly suggested by the attractive little Venetian cuts of the Malermi Bible of 1490, which in its turn had drawn freely from the Cologne Bible of 1480. But Holbein's work so far surpasses anything in the Malermi Bible, turning shorthand symbols into real life, that it has established a permanent appeal to the popular imagination while the other remains the more exclusive delight of the antiquarian.

I have not attempted to give a complete list of Holbein's cuts outside the two famous series. Since Woltmann's book (which is still the standard catalogue of Holbein's work) research has brought many other illustrations into relation with Holbein. All I will do here is to refer the student to the most recent literature, and to give a few

representative illustrations.

The small woodcut *Initials with the Dance of Death*, which was issued with Lützelburger's name attached, is a tour de force in its perfect precision of cutting and in the wonderful adaptation of these designs in so small a compass.\* The *Initials with Illustrations to the Old Testament*; are somewhat larger, but hardly equal in merit to the former set. Both are known in proof impressions, and were used in numerous books printed at Basle.

The Portrait of Erasmus is a masterpiece of portraiture in woodcut, as well as one of the most perfect examples of Renaissance decorative art. Dibdin; states that the second state was issued as frontispiece to Erasmus's collected works (Basle, 1540), but Woltmann was unable to authenticate this. Its plastic qualities would render it a perfect

design for a sculpture monument.

In England Holbein was too occupied with his larger works to devote much time to book illustration. The English cutters were far inferior to Lützelburger and his Basle contemporaries, but the two examples given from Cranmer's "Catechism" of 1548, as well as another, the *Christ as the Good Shepherd* in a "Little Treatise" by Urbanus Rhegius (also published by W. Lynne in 1548), show that even cruder cutting failed to impair Holbein's vivid and expressive touch.

\* Each initial 25 mm. square; reduced in our illustrations.

† Each initial 44 mm. square.

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# LIST OF PLATES

The Frontispiece is No. 38 from the Dance of Death.

#### OLD TESTAMENT CUTS

The order of the original publication, that of the Vulgate, is preserved. The cuts are reproduced complete with the exception of seven purely decorative subjects of little artistic interest.

- 1. The Fall. Genesis, iii. This cut does not occur in the separately printed series of the cuts, but occurs in several of the editions of the Old Testament published at Basle (e.g. Trechel, 1538, and Frellon, 1551). Its place was regularly taken in the series by the first four subjects of the Dance of Death.
- 2. Noah's Ark. Genesis, vii
- 3. The Building of the Tower of Babel. Genesis, xi
- 4. Abraham and the Three Angels. Genesis, xviii
- 5. Abraham's Sacrifice. Genesis,
- 6. Isaac Blessing Jacob. Genesis,
- 7. Joseph in the Pit. Genesis, xxxvii
- Pharaoh's Dreams. Genesis, xli
   Jacob Blessing Ephraim and Manasseh. Genesis, xlviii
- 10. The Burial of Joseph. Exodus, i 11. Moses and the Burning Bush.

Exodus, iii

- 12. Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh. Exodus, v
- 13. The Destruction of Pharaoh's Host. Exodus, xiv and xv
- 14. The Gathering of the Manna. Exodus, xvi
- 15. Moses on Mount Sinai. Exodus,
- 17. Moses Receiving the Tables of the Law. Exodus, xxxiv

- 18. Moses Receiving God's Law of the Burnt Offerings. Leviticus, i
- Moses Receiving God's Law of the Consecration of Priests. Leviticus, viii
- Nadab and Abihu, for Offering Strange Sacrifices, are Burnt by Fire. Leviticus, x
- Moses Receiving God's Law of the Harvest and Gleanings. Leviticus, xix
- 22. Moses and Aaron Numbering the People. Numbers, i
- 24. The Destruction of Korah and his Followers. Numbers, xvi
- 25. The Brazen Serpent. Numbers, xxi
- Moses and the Midianite Women and Children. Numbers, xxxi
- 27. Moses Addressing the People of Israel. Deuteronomy, i
- 28. Moses Exhorting the People to Obedience. Deuteronomy, iv
- 29. Moses Addressing the Levites. Deuteronomy, xviii
- 30. Joshua and the Kings that he had Smitten. Joshua, xii
- 31. Adoni-Bezek Mutilated. Judges,
- 32. Ruth Gleaning in the Fields of Boaz. Ruth, ii
- 33. Hannah and Elkanah. I Samuel, i
- 34. Samuel Anointing Saul. 1
  Samuel, x

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- 35. David and Goliath. I Samuel,
- David Hearing of the Philistines
   Fighting Against Keilah. I
   Samuel, xxiii

37. David Hearing of Saul's Death.
2 Samuel, i

38. David Subduing His Enemies. 2 Samuel, viii

39. David and Uriah. 2 Samuel,

40. Nathan before David. 2 Samuel,

41. David and the Woman of Tekoah. 2 Samuel, xiv

42. The Murder of Amasa. 2 Samuel, xx

43. David and Abishag. 1 Kings, i 44. Hiram's Messenger before Solo-

mon. I Kings, v

45. The Prophet Ahijah and Jeroboam's Wife. I Kings, xiv

46. Elijah's Sacrifice. 1 Kings,

47. The Children Mocking Elisha.

2 Kings, ii

48. Jehoiada, the Priest, Commanding Athaliah's Death. 2 Kings, xi

 Ahaz's Offering. 2 Kings, xvi
 Josiah Causing the Book of the Law to be Read in a Solemn Assembly. 2 Kings, xxiii

51. Rehearsing the Genealogy of Israel. I Chronicles, i

52. Saul's Head and Armour Brought into the Temple of the Philistines. I Chronicles, x

53. The Levites Playing Before the Ark. 1 Chronicles, xvi

54. Solomon's Prayer. 2 Chronicles, i

55. Solomon Blesses the People. 2 Chronicles, vi 56. Shishak Carrying Away the Treasures of the Temple. 2 Chronicles, xii

57. The Destruction of Sennacherib's Host. 2 Chronicles, xxxii

58. The Return of the Jews from Captivity. Ezra, i

59. Nehemiah's Prayer. Nehemiah, i

60. Josiah Keeps the Passover. Apocrypha: I Esdras, i (also 2 Chronicles, xxxv)

61. The Blindness of Tobit. Apocrypha: Tobit, i and ii

62. Job in his Mourning Blesses God. Job, i

63. Job and Eliphaz. Job. xv

64. God Answers Job. Job, xxxviii and xlii

65. Esther Before Ahasuerus. Esther, i and ii

66. Judith Sets Forth From the City. Apocrypha: Judith, x

67. Judith with the Head of Holofernes. Apocrypha: Judith, xiii68. David Writing the Psalms.

Psalms, i

69. The Fool. Psalms, liii

 The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand. Psalms, cx

71. The Lovers. Song of Solomon, i72. Isaiah Lamenting over Jerusalem. Isaiah, i

73. Isaiah and the Vision of the Lord. Isaiah, vi

75. Ezekiel's Vision. Ezekiel, i

79. The Fiery Furnace. Daniel, iii (and Apocrypha: The Song of the Three Holy Children)

80. Daniel's Vision of the Four Beasts. Daniel, vii

81. Gabriel Interprets the Vision of

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the Ram and the Goat. Daniel, viii

83. Daniel, Susanna and the Elders. Apocrypha: Susanna

84. Daniel in the Lion's Den. (Daniel, vi, and Apocrypha: Bel and the Dragon)

85. Hosea and his Wife. Hosea, i

86. Joel. Joel, i

87. Amos Teaching. Amos, i

88. Jonah and Nineveh. Jonah, i, ii and iii

89. Habakkuk about to take Dinner to the Reapers, is commanded by the Angel to carry it to Daniel. Aprocrypha: Bel and the Dragon, 33, 34

90. Zechariah. Zechariah, i

91. The Vision of the Horseman over Jerusalem. 2 Maccabees, v

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The order followed is that of the edition of 1562. The reproductions are numbered according to this order, but their arrangement on the plates after No. 44 has been slightly altered to bring kindred subjects together. In the original book only one cut occurs on each page. The first edition of 1538 (probably Lützelburger's work in its entirety) contained Nos. 1–39 and 56 and 57. To the edition of 1545 were added Nos. 40–45, and 48–53, and to that of 1562 Nos. 46, 47, 54, 55 and 58.

1. The Creation

2. The Fall

3. Adam and Eve driven from the Garden of Eden

4. Adam Tilling the Ground

5. The Trumpeters of Death

6. Pope

7. Emperor

8. King

CardinalEmpress

11. Queen

12. Bishop

12. Dishop

14. Abbot

15. Abbess

16. Nobleman

17. Canon

18. Judge

19. Advocate

20. Councillor

21. Preacher 22. Pastor

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23. Monk

21. Nun

25. Old Woman

26. Doctor

27. Astronomer

28. Miser

29. Merchant

30. Sailor

31. Knight

32. Earl

33. Old Man 34. Countess

35. Noblewoman

26 Duchess

36. Duchess

37. Pedlar

38. Ploughman. Frontispiece

39. Child

40. Soldier

41. Robber

42. Drinkers

43. Fool

44. Gamblers

45. Children's Triumph: The Victor

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46. Young Wife

47. Young Husband

- 48. Children's Triumph: The Standard-bearer
- 49. Blind Man

50. Carter

51. Sick Beggar

52. Child with Shield and Arrow

53. Children, one carrying a Hare

54. Children with Grapes and Vine Leaves

55. Children with a Suit of Armour

56. The Last Judgement

57. The Coat of Arms of Death

58. Children with Trumpets and Drum

#### MISCELLANEOUS CUTS

 St. Paul. From the New Testament in Greek, Basle (T. Platter), 1540. Woltmann, 192

Two cuts from Cranmer's Catechism. London (W. Lynne) 1548. Wolt-

mann, 198 and 199

2. The Pharisee and the Publican (p. 6)

3. Christ Healing the Man Possessed of a Devil (p. 102)

 Portrait of Erasmus. Woltmann, 206. Second state. The first state had an inscription of two lines only.  Title-page Border to the German New Testament, Basle (Adam Petri), 1522–3. Woltmann, 215

6. The Alphabet with the Dance of of Death. Woltmann, 252. a The Trumpeters of Death. b Pope. c Emperor. d King. e Cardinal. f Empress. g Queen. h Bishop. i Duke. k Earl. l Canon, m Doctor. n Rich man. o Monk. p Soldier. q Nun. r Fool. s Maid. t Drunkard. v Rider. w Hermit. x Gamblers. y Infant. z Last Judgement.

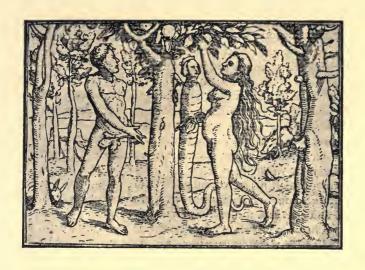
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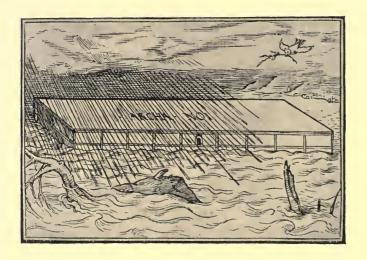
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1. THE FALL. Genesis, iii

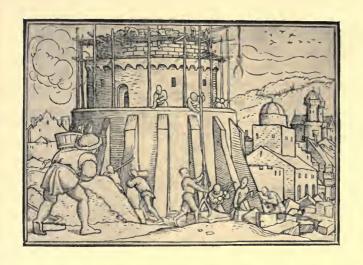
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2. NOAH'S ARK. Genesis, vii





- 3. THE BUILDING OF THE TOWER OF BABEL. Genesis, xi
- 4. ABRAHAM AND THE THREE ANGELS. Genesis, xviii





- 5. ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE. Genesis, xxii
- 6. ISAAC BLESSING JACOB. Genesis, xxvii





- 7. JOSEPH IN THE PIT. Genesis, xxxvii
- 8. PHARAOH'S DREAMS. Genesis, xli



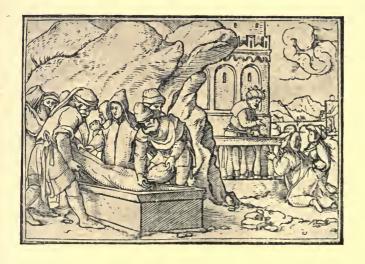


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9. JACOB BLESSING EPHRAIM AND MANASSEH. Genesis, xlviii

10. THE BURIAL OF JOSEPH. Exodus, i





- 11. MOSES AND THE BURNING BUSH. Exodus, iii
- 12. MOSES AND AARON BEFORE PHARAOH. Exodus, v





13. THE DESTRUCTION OF PHARAOH'S HOST. Exodus, xiv and xv

14. THE GATHERING OF THE MANNA. Exodus, xvi





15. MOSES ON MOUNT SINAI. Exodus, xix

17. MOSES RECEIVING THE TABLES OF THE LAW. Exodus, xxxiv





- 18. MOSES RECEIVING GOD'S LAW OF THE BURN'T OFFERINGS. Leviticus, i
- 19. MOSES RECEIVING GOD'S LAW OF THE CONSECRATION OF PRIESTS. Leviticus, viii





- 20. NADAB AND ABIHU, FOR OFFERING STRANGE SACRIFICES, ARE BURNT BY FIRE. Leviticus, x
- 21. MOSES RECEIVING GOD'S LAW OF THE HARVEST AND GLEANINGS. Leviticus, xix





- 22. MOSES AND AARON NUMBERING THE PEOPLE. Numbers, i
- 24. THE DESTRUCTION OF KORAH AND HIS FOLLOWERS. Numbers, xvi.





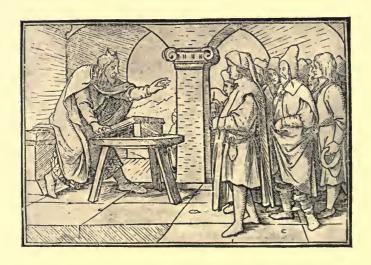
- 25. THE BRAZEN SERPENT. Numbers, xxi
- 26. MOSES AND THE MIDIANITE WOMEN AND CHILDREN. Numbers, xxxi





- 27. MOSES ADDRESSING THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL. Deuteronomy, i
- 28. MOSES EXHORTING THE PEOPLE TO OBEDIENCE. Deuteronomy, iv





29. MOSES ADDRESSING THE LEVITES. Deuteronomy, xyiii

30. JOSHUA AND THE KINGS THAT HE HAD SMITTEN. Joshua, xii





- 31. ADONI-BEZEK MUTILATED. Judges, i
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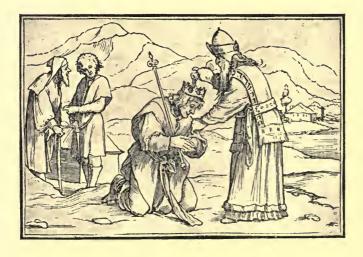




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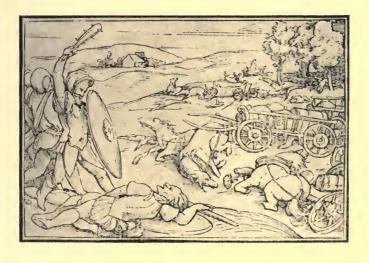




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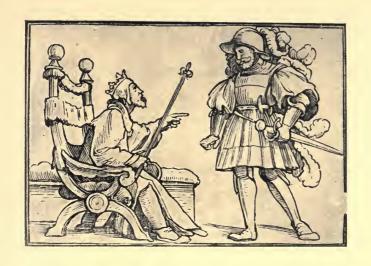
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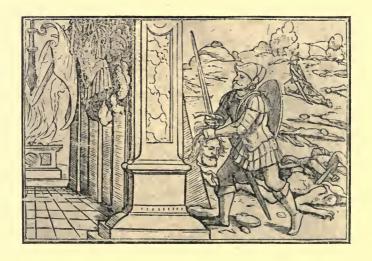
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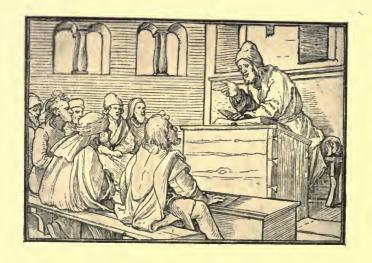
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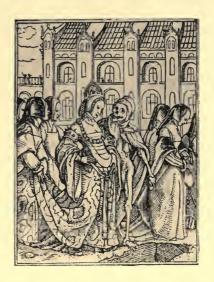


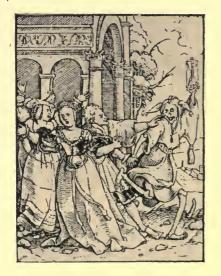
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12. BISHOP









13. DUKE15. ABBESS

14. ABBOT

16. NOBLEMAN









17. CANON

19. ADVOCATE

18. JUDGE

20. COUNCILLOR









21. PREACHER

22. PASTOR

23. MONK

24. NUN









25. OLD WOMAN

26. DOCTOR

27. ASTRONOMER

28. MISER









29. MERCHANT

31. KNIGHT

30. SAILOR

32. EARL









33. OLD MAN

35. NOBLEWOMAN

34. COUNTESS

36. DUCHESS













40. SOLDIER

42. DRINKERS

41. ROBBER

43. FOOL



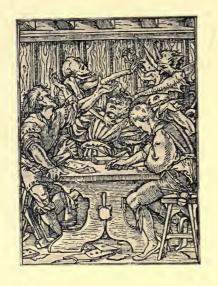






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49. BLIND MAN 51. SICK BEGGAR









46. YOUNG WIFE

47. YOUNG HUSBAND





45. CHILDREN'S TRIUMPH: THE VICTOR

52. CHILD WITH SHIELD AND ARROW

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53. CHILDREN, ONE CARRY-ING A HARE









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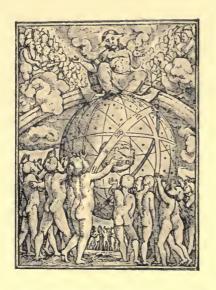






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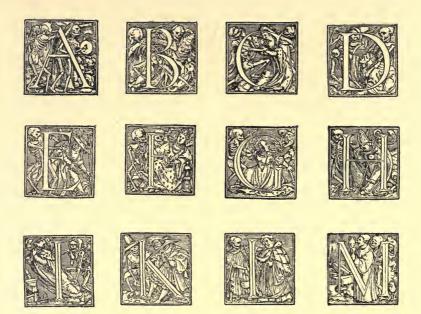


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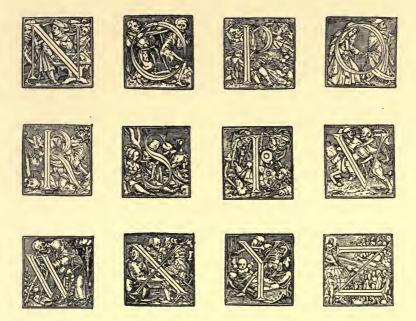
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N. Rich man O. Monk P. Soldier Q. Nun R. Fool S Maid T. Drunkard
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